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### Flowers

See the flowers, how they grow. Pretty kinds I used to know. They abound in field and wood; Everywhere they look so good-Take me back to childhood days, Bring to mind the shaded ways, Paths I always loved to tread, Fields where sheep and cattle fed. Those were happy, happy days, Which were spent in flower-strewn ways Fifty years and more ago. Still the flowers for me grow! And they mean more now than then, . As I see them once again. Bloom, then, flowers, year by year, Other children's lives to cheer, Smile o'er childhood, brighten youth, Symbols still of light and truth. -C. P. Bollman

## A Trip to the South

The Spring Council of the North American Division Conference convened at Huntsville, Ala., April 12 to 19. This meeting was a source of spiritual rest and refreshing as well as a time of earnest work and careful planning. Nearly every member of the Division Conference Committee was present. Many conference presidents and other laborers of the Southeastern and Southern Union were also in attendance. The faculty of the Oakwood Manual Training School made the stay of all pleasant and comfortable. We have often heard of "Southern hospitality." We found it here and were not disappointed.

Elder Wilcox, the editor of the Review, together with others gave some excellent studies on the evils that threaten our people at this time. The dangers of worldly standards and university ideals in some of our larger schools, the present decline in rational health reform, the tendency to conform to the world in little things were faithfully presented. Pointed Bible texts and quotations from the Testimonies on these subjects were read. The brethren planned for a series of strong spiritual camp meetings this summer. We hope that these gatherings may bring a new era of divine power and light to this denomination.

Very careful study was given to the many questions arising with the war situation and our relation as a people to the present crisis. The brethren sought the Lord earnestly for light and guidance in this important matter. A commission of leading brethren was appointed to take this question under further consideration. It was felt by all that this is a time for meditation and prayer, not for excitement or extreme positions

It was decided to hold the next General Conference and North American Division session at San Francisco March 29 to April 19, 1918. The Council advised that our sanitariums and schools keep up their improvements and secure necessary facilities, but that as far as consistent no new building enterprises be entered upon at this time. It was the conviction of all, however, that we must do more for our schools and conferences in the South. It was planned to enlarge the Huntsville Training School so as to make it a junior college for the training of colored workers. It was also considered imperative to provide better facilities for the Ooltewah school, the training center for the Southern and Southeastern Unions. Several buildings will be needed, but no appropriations were made at this time, as we have no funds. It was planned to take two or three years in which to make the needed enlargements.

Our work is prospering in the three southern unions. The membership, both white and colored, is increasing very rapidly. Loyalty, union, faith, and courage are seen in every department. The leaders are pushing ahead and the people are with them. For some years the cause of God has been hindered by a few independent. intermediate schools. But the unfortunate influence of these will be overcome as we provide educational facilities of our own. The little rural schools, carried on not as training centers for Adventist youth but as life saving stations for children of outsiders, are doing an excellent work. On our return from the council we visited the publishing house at Nashville. God is blessing this institution. The Watchman is now our leading magazine in this coun-There was a spirit of unity and solemn seeking trv. for the Lord all through the council. Surely the work of God is onward and will soon be finished in every part of this country and in all the earth.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

### **Camp Meeting Laborers**

We are pleased to inform our brethren that we have the promise of excellent help for our camp meetings this season. J. W. Mace has written that he will attend all the meetings in the Lake Union. Elder C. L. Taylor, who connects with the College next year, will be present at all our meetings in the interest of the young people. He will assist Prof. C. A. Russell

and the local young people's workers. These leaders are planning some special features for the young people's programs this year. It has been planned that a doctor from one of our sanitariums will attend every meeting together with one or two nurses. There will be a good sanitarium tent in every camp. Daily studies on health topics and the relation of this message to health reform will be given. We have received word from Washington that Elders W. A. Spicer, C. S. Longacre, and W. W. Eastman will attend our early camp meetings. Elder Spicer is in Europe at the present time, but he is expected back within a few weeks. He will come with much information concerning our work across the sea. Professor Longacre is well known among our people. His experiences in Congress connected with questions of religious liberty and the war situation will be of great value to us. Elder Eastman will help us in the book work and other lines. Elder B. E. Miller is planning to attend the camp meetings in South Wisconsin and Northern Illinois. He will labor especially for the Germans. We are hoping to get other efficient workers for our camp meetings this year. We believe that our people should plan for the largest meetings this summer that we have ever known in this field.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

# A Letter from Elder Butler

(We take great pleasure in publishing the following letter from Elder Geo. I. Butler, whom very many of our older brethren in the Lake Union Conference know. It gives us courage and it strengthens our faith to read such cheering words from one of the old, faithful pioneers in this grand cause. L. H. C.)

BOWLING GREEN, FLA., March 6, 1917

DEAR BROTHER:

Your favor of February 19 came to me several days ago, somewhat as a surprise yet as quite a pleasure.

I am an old man past eighty-two and far down in the southeast corner of the United States, rather isolated from the main body of our people. Sometimes men in their old age get a little lonesome. They realize that they are of a past generation, so to speak, "past members" as generally expressed, and of course not of much account—the great body of their old friends and acquaintance passed, and growing somewhat isolated. To receive some little attention from prominent brethren is not unpleasant. Your kind words call my mind back to the "former days."

That important institution which you represent and speak for, come to think of it, is an old acquaintance of mine. While president of the Iowa Conference, I was chosen president of the General Conference. I was elected in my absence, to my great surprise and astonishment and much against my wishes, because I felt utterly incompetent for such a position. I was urged to come to Battle Creek at once to enter upon my duties.

My associate on the General Conference Committee was Elder S. N. Haskell of Massachusetts. He was a total stranger to me, and at being called to this important work, was as much surprised as I was. The task assigned us was to raise \$50,000 with which to build Battle Creek College. Considering the fact that

the denomination at that time numbered but a very little over 5,000 members, mostly poor people at that, the prospect seemed a little dark. One of our leading men at that time and one of the most forehanded said we could never raise \$20,000. A large number of our people did not favor building a college. They did not see the propriety of it. But backed up by the Testimonies we entered the camp meeting season with vigor and faith and came out at the end of it with upwards of \$50,000 in pledges, mostly good, and the old Battle Creek College, the first one ever built by this denomination, was erected with that money.

The first president of the College, Sidney Brownsberger, came into the truth while a student at Ann Arbor, and entered the work through my agency and influence. I was the means of getting Professor Prescott long after to enter the college work. I was the president of the College Board for ten or twelve years continuously. I was prominent in all its early history. Should not I be a friend of that institution? It is one of the things I look back to with the greatest pleasure. I was at Berrien Springs several times after the college was transferred there.

I have been in Michigan very little for many years. I came South for my health when broken down with nervous prostration. I have stayed here because it was a very needy field. But I can never forget dear old Michigan. I was once well acquainted with all the leading brethren of that state. I lived in Battle Creek eight years and was the president of the Michigan Conference two or three terms. Michigan was then the leading conference of the cause. I considered it the Mother Conference of all the field. I know very well its people then were loyal and true to the original doctrines of our people, the cause as it was "fifty years ago," as you say. The cause then did not look to fallen Babylon for its light in any degree, but to that platform of truth as held by the old pioneers founded on the pure doctrines of the Bible and endorsed by the prophet of the Lord.

I was personally familiar with the early work, the gathering work of the third angel's message, of the scattering, confused advent believers after the passing of the time. My mother received the present truth from father Bates in 1848 and father in 1851. Elder J. N. Andrews wrote the first pamphlet on "The Three Angels' Messages and Two Horned Beast" in my father's house, yes, and helped me out of infidelity at the same time. I was familiar with the work of Brother and Sister White. They were at our home several times. Their work was largely gathering in the scattered, confused advent believers into the truths of the third angel's message. There was established then the grand and glorious platform of truth on which this people have stood all these years. That work could never have been consummated but for the gift of a prophet of the Lord, an honor conferred upon this denomination, not seen in any other church for nineteen centuries.

I rejoice, dear Brother ——, that we have a college in old Michigan which stands solid for those original principle held by this body fifty years ago. In my ministry I have always held sacredly to those original principles and always expect to. I preached them many times in dear old Michigan. But I think I have not been able to do this for the last thirty years because of my absence.

I ask your pardon, dear brother, for this lengthy talk, perhaps somewhat scattered. But I could hardly help writing out my feelings of these days now past, and my remembrance of Old Michigan, the commencement of Battle Creek College, etc. I wish it success in every way. May its last days be its best days.

GEO. I. BUTLER

# A Sketch of the Rise and Progress of the Present Truth-No. 2

In the spring of 1848, in company with Brother Bates, we attended a conference in Connecticut. There were probably twenty-five Sabbath-keepers present. Here we first saw Brother Holt. We were all much encouraged at this meeting. Brother Holt soon began to bear testimony for the truth. Brother Bates began to labor more extensively as the way opened before him. At this time we had an invitation from Brother Edson to visit Western New York, and hold a conference with them. We were destitute of means: but with feeble health we entered the havfield to earn the necessary means. And when fainting beneath the noon-day sun, we would bow before God in our swath, and cry to Him for strength, rise refreshed and praise His holy name aloud, then mow on again. In five weeks we earned enough to bear our expenses with Mrs. White to the conference. Brother Bates joined us at this meeting. The notice had been given to all in the Empire State who were in sympathy with our views; there was to be a general rally, yet not over forty were present. And what a confusion of sentiments among this few! A spirit of discussion and contention for points not important prevailed, so that we who had come so far could hardly have a chance to give our message; the meeting would have proved a failure, and the good brethren would have separated in confusion and trial had not the Lord worked in a special manner. The Spirit of the Lord rested upon Mrs. White and she was taken off in vision. The entire congregation believed that it was the work of God, and were deeply affected. She related to them what she had seen, which was given to correct some errors among them, and in melting strains exhorted them to leave their errors, and those points on which they had differed, and unite on the important truths of the third message. And on that blessed evening, the brethren sacrificed their babel of sentiments, and united on the truth. And what was the result?

Harmony began to prevail, and many came flocking to the standard of truth. Soon the Lord laid the case of our beloved Brother Rhodes on Brother Edson and others. He had labored faithfully and spent a good property in the first and second messages, but being wounded by the backsliding and covetousness of professed Adventist brethren, he left the flock in a state of despair, and sustained himself by hunting and fishing in an uninhabited part of the state of New York. Brother Edson, in company with others visited him several times with the design to induce him to come among the brethren, and in all traveled with his team near one thousand miles, and finally, with the special

help of God, gained the object. When Brother Rhodes first came among the brethren, despair was stamped upon every feature. But soon hope and faith revived, and he became a successful laborer in the cause.

JAMES WHITE

## An Address to Y. M. C. A. Secretaries

[Dr. W. C. Dunscombe, writing from the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, Lafayette, Indiana, April 20, says: "Last week a convention was held at the sanitarium of the principal Y. M. C. A. secretaries in this state. About forty of the leading Y. M. C. A. men met here and were entertained by us during their meeting. This has been a very valuable source of advertising for us and already we are getting letters from them in regard to sending members of their family or friends here. The wife of one of them is now a patient with us. They asked me to address them during the convention." The address is given below.—ED.]

 $\cdot$  I appreciate very deeply the privilege of speaking to you who are leaders in a progressive movement, who are fighting the battle against sin, and trying to stem the great tide of evil which is now threatening to overcome the world. I will take the time given me, to speak to you about our sanitarium work. Our institution here is but one of a chain of sanitariums located in all parts of the United States and Europe—in fact you will find them in all the larger countries of the world.

About sixty years ago a small group of men in this country became convinced that the methods then used for treating disease were wrong; that the drugging of patients was against nature. They felt the great need of establishing an institution in which the system of treatment would be such as to assist nature and augment the natural powers of the body in every way possible.

Such an institution was started in Battle Creek about 1870, with only a small bathroom and a few additional rooms for lodging patients. This first small sanitarium was considered by medical men of that day as a quack concern, and received absolutely no favors from professional quarters. For many years previous to the time when the movement was first started in this country, leading therapeutists in Germany conceived the idea that instead of thwarting nature and working against it by using strong drugs, it would be far more rational to stimulate the vital functions, increase nature's activities and overcome disease by increasing the natural resistive powers of the body. They reasoned that the proper way to do this was to increase the circulation of blood, increase the elimination of poisons from the body, and bring to any diseased part an increased number of leucocytes. The leucocytes, (or white blood corpuscles) are the natural defendants of the body, the same as our brave young men today will be the defenders of this country in the event of its being invaded. For instance, a man's hand becomes infected. The hand is infected by bacteria, virulent toxins are formed, the hand begins to swell and there is great pain. In fact we have all the symptoms of what is ordinarily known as acute blood poisoning. The treatment we give for this is alternate hot and cold. The patient is directed to place his hand first in

the hot water for five minutes, then in the cold for a half minute. This greatly increases the circulation in the part. The blood brings nourishment to the hand to build up the broken down cells, it carries away the waste products, the toxins, and not only that, but this alternate hot and cold also increases the number of leucocytes many times. This is only one illustration of a thousand different ways in which different combinations of hydrotherapeutic measures may be used to meet every diseased condition. We do not rely upon hydrotherapy alone, but use every rational means to stimulate and increase the natural functions and bodily defenses. We use massage, Swedish movements, electricity in over twenty different forms, and various kinds of vibration. Not only do we use those simple means, but often a part becomes so diseased that it must be removed or treated surgically. We have a finely equipped operating room for such cases.

We believe that the first essential to all treatment is careful diagnosis. For this reason, in our physical examination in our laboratory and X-ray departments, we give thorough attention to the various means of establishing a correct diagnosis.

In South Africa the Boer farmers have the same reverence for medicine that the American people had thirty or forty years ago. No matter what measures you advocate there, you must give them a large bottle full of medicine. They feel that they have not been treated unless they get this, and the larger the bottle you give them, the happier they are and the more sure they are of cure. So in treating people in that country, I gave them the large bottle to affect their minds and some of these rational treatments to cure their bodies.

To properly treat chronic as well as acute diseases and especially nervous troubles, we must be away from the noise and bustle of city life, out where our patients can view the beauties of nature. This is the reason why this institution is established out here on the banks of the Wabash River. We also feel that it is important to have our patients in a Christian environment. We accept no nurses into our training school here who take the training for worldly gain only. We want only those who have a burning desire in their hearts to labor as Christ did upon the earth, to uplift suffering humanity, to relieve them of their pains and ills and point them to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world.

I wish to say in closing that we appreciate very much having you here with us and we invite you all to come again.

### Indiana Conference Office Address, 2708 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis. President, Wm. A. Westworth

## The Cloud of Debt Lifting from Indiana

Many of our people are anxiously enquiring how the work of raising the Indiana debt is progressing. I am happy to report that every week that passes now, and for many weeks in the past, something substantial is done by our people, either in cash or pledges, toward wiping out the debt. With the cash already paid, and the pledges in hand, we have passed the half-way mark

in reaching our goal toward singing the jubilee song of freedom from debt by Jan. 1, 1918.

Many promises of cash are being received from reliable people, and a good percentage are for substantial sums. One brother has just given \$500 cash, and another recently gave about \$800 in cash and property.

In different places our farming brethren are taking hold splendidly. In one church five farmers have agreed to plant a total of eight acres and sell the produce in the fall toward the debt. Each acre so planted can truly be called "God's Acre." Let us all unite in praying that the Lord will bless the crops thus dedicated to His cause.

A number of boys and girls, also men and women, are setting hens, and while we cannot "count the chickens before they are hatched," we fully believe that a substantial sum will be raised in this way.

A good number have promised to give the profits for a certain length of time in canvassing for our books, and it is certain that a blessing will be received by those who engage in this work. The books will do good, the means earned will help in the cause of God, and the soul of the canvasser will be watered.

All the teachers and students in Beechwood academy have definitely promised to help. Some of our dear young people have even volunteered to go without eating certain meals and give the value of the food toward the debt. Surely God will not be unmindful of such sacrifices made in a spirit of love for His precious cause.

The church school teachers during their institute caught the inspiration of the hour, and volunteered to give liberally from their limited income.

Others have promised to plant gardens, make useful articles to sell, and give certain profits from the shop. It is a real pleasure to see how willing the great majority of the people are to help clear the Indiana Conference from the great burden of debt. We still have a great task before us, but we believe that God will help us.

Acre Fund cards have been sent to nearly all of our people in Indiana, and a number have been made out and returned to the writer. I am constantly learning of those who are planning to help, who have not yet sent in their cards. If you will specify on your cards just what you will do, and return them to me at once, it will be greatly appreciated. It is very important that we learn just what each one will do during the year. Should you need Acre Fund cards let me know and I will send them to you.

The perilous times of the last days are upon us, and the end is very near. The opportunity to help in the cause of God will soon be forever past. Let us all work earnestly while the day lasts, for the night is rapidly drawing on in which no man can work.

1435 East Vermont St., M. C. GUILD Indianapolis.

# **Beechwood Academy Notes**

The Shelbyville meetings closed Sunday night, April 29. While they have not been as well attended as could be desired, some have been regular in attendance, and the newspapers have given liberal space, so that the message has reached a large number of people. Elder Westworth and Professor Lamson have been conducting these meetings since April 1. The Boggstown church has been faithful in attendance, and Professor Lamson has usually taken some of the students with him, so that all of the students have had the privilege of attending at least one night.

Our total enrollment for the year is thirty-five, and our actual membership at date is thirty-one, which is a little in excess of last year.

The carpentry class is rearranging the line shaft in the pump house so that the electric engine will do all the pumping. This makes it possible to use kerosene instead of gasolene, and will be a saving of money next year. The school now has a 4 H. P. gasoline engine for sale. It is a Fairbanks-Morse engine, and in splendid condition.

In the garden, lettuce, onions and radishes are up, and we hope to soon be enjoying some of these things on our table.

The dirt taken from the excavations for the new septic tank and chimney base, and engine room is being hauled into the southeast corner next to the road, in an effort to raise the grade of the place so that water will not stand on the school ground after heavy rains.

The canvassers' institute held at the academy was very well attended. Brother and Sister Fishell and a number of the canvassers who were not students spent the time of the institute at the school.

Work is being pushed on the new sewer system, and we hope to have it completed soon.

The stumps in the yard, north of the building, are being dug out so that the ground can be cultivated and some useful crops raised there this summer. The school is going to follow the government campaign to cultivate all possible ground.

A fence is being built from the district schoolhouse over to the horse sheds and the back part of the campus will be used for pasture for Pete and Mike during the summer.

On the 19th of April a special patriotic service was held in honor of Paul Revere's Famous Ride. The chapel was decorated with the national colors.

Some of the students have been repairing the fence along the road leading to Needham.

The farmer has now been all over the fruit orchard with the first spray, and the second dose of medicine for the destructive worms and moths will be applied this week.

#### North Wisconsin Conference Office Address, Room 5, Ashland National Bank Building, Ashland, Wis. President, J. J. Irwin

# The Camp Meeting

The camp meeting season will soon be with us and our people are already beginning to plan for this important gathering. Orders are coming in for tents, and we look for a large gathering of our people this year in the North Wisconsin Conference. The meeting will be held at Spooner on the fair grounds just at the north edge of town. It is quite easy of

access. I am sure that all will be glad of the opportunity once more of gathering together to recount God's blessings.

Last year we thought many mighty changes had taken place in the earth which seemed to indicate that the Lord's coming is very near. This year changes have taken place which affect us more than the others did. The conditions are such that all can see that the last days are just upon us. How many more camp meetings we will be privileged to attend it is not in our power to say, but there is one thing of which we are very certain—there will not be many more of these annual gatherings.

The Testimonies have urged us again and again to attend these services. I will not quote from them at this time. The influence of the camp meeting has universally been such as to win many souls to the Master who otherwise might never have been reached. If this camp meeting could result in the saving of only one soul it would be of great value, but we believe it will be the means of saving many.

You are doubtless anxious to know what the supplies will cost this year. We will have two sizes of tents, one 12x14 which will rent for \$3, and another size 12x16 which will rent for \$3.50. Cots will rent for 50 cents, chairs 15 cents, or two for 25 cents. We have not been able to find out just what prices we can make on lumber, but we will make it as reasonable as we can.

Full directions for reaching Spooner will be in a later issue of the paper. Send all orders for supplies to the North Wisconsin Conference at Ashland, and arrangements will be made for you.

Our Scandinavian brethren will be glad to learn that we plan to have two public preaching services each day for them. We are unable at present to announce the speakers we shall have at the meeting. We expect to have good help, and let us all come praying that the blessing of God may be with us in this meeting.

J. J. IRWIN

## Walderly Academy

We have an opening for one or two girls to work their way through school. If you desire this privilege, let me hear from you at once. E. A. von Pohle, Principal, Hines, Wis.

## A Sewing Machine Needed

The Walderly girls are very much in need of a sewing machine. Many of our girls wish to make their own clothes, but the school owns no machine. If anyone feels that he can make the school a gift of a good machine, please write me at Hines, Wisconsin. E. A. von Pohle.

# South Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Room 305 Ruh Bldg., Fond du Lac, Wis. President, C. S. Wiest

# **News Notes**

The camp meeting for South Wisconsin will convene from June 21 to July 1, at Fond du Lac. We have secured the fair grounds which has been offered free of charge, by the city of Fond du Lac. There are good buildings that can be utilized, one will do for the dining tent. This will be a great saving to us this year.

Let everyone plan to come to camp meeting. We hope to make this the best meeting ever held in the state.

The executive committee of the South Wisconsin Conference held a meeting at Madison April 17. At this meeting it was decided to have Brother Jacob Arnbrecht do the cooking, and have Brother H. W. Heller assistant cook.

It was voted for Brother Charles McCrillis to take charge of the grocery tent this year.

It was also voted that the prices of tents will be as follows: \$3.50 for new tents and \$2.50 for old tents. Tables 25 cents and 40 cents according to size, chairs 10 cents, and straw ticks 25 cents.

Elder C. S. Wiest visited the EauClaire church Sabbath, April 21, in the morning, and in the afternoon visited the Chippewa Falls church.

Chippewa Falls and Jim Falls churches have now been connected with the North Wisconsin Conference. This arrangement was voted some time ago, but was not put into effect until now.

Elder P. M. Hanson will spend half of his time in the South Wisconsin Conference and the other half in the North Wisconsin Conference. This arrangement was necessary on account of the Scandinavian interest in both conferences near the division line.

There is a colporteur institute now in session at Bethel Academy. About twenty of the students are planning to enter the colporteur work during the summer.

Elder Wiest spent Sunday night with the Marshfield church. He reports a good interest. He spent some time at Bethel in connection with the institute and church.

Brother Trowbridge has awakened quite an interest at Connville; but meets considerable opposition from a Disciple minister.

Remember the camp meeting June 21 to July 1. Let everybody plan to come.

#### Madison Sanitarium Notes

Dr. Anna Durrie, formerly with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium, is now connected with the medical staff of our sanitarium.

Miss Hazel Potter recently underwent an operation and is convalescing.

The South Wisconsin Conference committee and the Bethel Academy board met at the sanitarium last week, and the day following the board of trustees for the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association met and elected Elder C. S. Weist as the president of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Elder P. A. Hanson.

Miss Elsie Black, class of 1916, has just returned from a four months' course at the Chicago Lying-in Hospital. She will visit her people for a few weeks, and then return to take up work at the sanitarium.

Mr. Chas. Mikkelsen has purchased a lot adjacent to the sanitarium grounds, and is building a neat cottage.

Miss Edith Whitman and Miss Myra Stiles from Berrien Springs, Mich., have recently connected with the sanitarium family.

Elder H. H. Hicks was at Lodi recently to conduct the funeral services of Sister Ringsdorf.

This spring finds the sanitarium enjoying excellent patronage, the house being full of a good class of patients.

# West Michigan Conference

Office Address, 8 Pearl Street, Grand Rapids, Mich. President, Wm. Guthrie

## Appointment

Sabbath, May 5, at Kalamazoo will be held the quarterly meeting of the four churches of Allegan, Monterey, Otsego, and Kalamazoo. Elders Wright and Horton will be present, and an interesting and profitable program has been arranged. Other churches in the vicinity are invited to attend.

B. I. VAN HORN

# East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich. President, A. J. Clark

# Elkton

A church was recently organized here as a result of the tent effort held here last summer by Elder Videto and the writer. The company had been meeting in a small room at my home. We searched in vain for a house in which to worship. In this village, having a population of about seven hundred, there are six churches. One is not used at all, and other only occasionally, but we were unable to buy or rent one for our worship. But God, who hears His children's plea for help, opened a place for us. We secured the Gleaner Hall, which is located on the main street of the town. We have it for three or five years at a very low rent.

Our hearts rejoiced last Sabbath as we met to dedicate this place of worship and rededicate ourselves to God. It was a pleasure to have Elder Clark with us on this occasion. He remained with us over Sunday, and gave a stirring talk on the war—its cause, aim, and ultimate end.

I am now conducting a series of meetings in our new place of worship. We hope that others will take their stand with this faithful company of believers. We ask the prayers of all our dear people in behalf of this work. The ministers of the different churches are very bitter against this message, and are doing all in their power to keep the people away from our meetings. But "If God be for us, who can be against us?" A. V. MORRISON

## Northern Illinois Conference Office Address, 116 N. California Ave., Chicago, Ill. President, J. H. Schilling

### Sheridan

The Sheridan Sabbath school which is held at the academy, being composed largely of Fox River Academy students, is working to reach the goals and carry out the plans laid by the Sabbath school department.

Little was said by Professor Johnson, the superintendent, concerning the thirteenth Sabbath offering, however enough earnestness was manifest in what was said and the plans that were laid to get *all* to unite in an effort to carry them out; that one text expresses the situation—"The people had a mind to work."

Instead of raising seventy-five dollars—the goal set for the quarter—the offering amounted to \$102.56. Thus an excellent spirit of thankfulness for what God had wrought prevailed and prepared the way for consecration day which was observed April 14; and was a day long to be remembered.

The Bible study was conducted by Sister Anna Hibben and showed clearly the necessity for, and the steps to be taken in real consecration and entire dependence upon a loving and all-wise God in these times of great confusion and perplexity,

As we were led step by step in the consideration of the subject, hearts were melted and nearly every one present expressed himself as desiring a closer walk with the Master, and a determination to be more faithful to this message. Some gave themselves to the Lord for the first time, and the quarterly meeting that followed was a blessed season. JEAN PHILLIPS

## All Invited—Birthday Celebration

May 5 has been set apart by the North American Division Conference as Decennial Day for the Missionary Volunteer work. This is the tenth year of the history of this department of the Lord's work, and those who appreciate what it has accomplished for our children and youth will bring a thank offering of ten cents (one cent for each year of existence of the M. V. Department) on that day which will be applied on the M. V. India goal.

A special program is printed in the *Review and Herald* of April 19 which is to be given in all the churches at the time of the regular Sabbath morning services. I feel sure that each elder will give earnest and prayerful attention to this program for that day. With the salvation of our children and youth in the balance, every "overseer" will welcome this one special M. V. day of all the year, and make the most of this birthday celebration.

If for some good reason the program can not be given on May 5, have it the following Sabbath.

AUGUSTA BLOSSER, M. V. Sec'y

# **News** Notes

R. C. Gardner called at the office Thursday, the 19th. He reports that the work is onward in Pontiac and is very much encouraged. Eight souls are ready for baptism.

Last week one sister in this conference wrote Miss Blosser as follows: "I am enclosing a draft for \$100. Since \$25 is for you for the Italian school work, if still needed, I am sending it all to you. The \$75 is for the evangelistic effort in Chicago which Elders Schilling, Hubbard, and others are carrying forward. I read of their need in the LAKE UNION HERALD." We trust others will feel impressed to write us letters like this.

J. C. Klose, our field agent, spent last week in the western part of the state in the interest of the canvassing work.

J. B. Blosser visited the office recently.

Aaron Larson, from the Broadview Swedish Seminary called at the office Tuesday, the 17th, and took ten "World War." Two days later he came back and ordered two hundred. This is a good testimonial for the selling quality of the book.

It has been necessary for us to increase our standing orders for our magazines. We have nearly doubled our order of *Signs* and *Watchman*.

Dr. Riley Russell spoke in the South Side church Sabbath, the 21st, in regard to the medical missionary work in Korea. Dr. Russell left for Washington, D. C., Wednesday.

Last week a colored regiment left Chicago for the front. A sister furnished one thousand of each of the following tracts to the members of the Dearborn Street church to be placed in the hands of the members of this regiment: "Jesus Died for You," "Some One Cares for Your Soul," and P. T. S. No. 4, "Second Coming of Christ."

Prof. C. A. Russell met with the company in Hinsdale Sabbath, the 21st.

Sam Arrbito, one of our Italian brothers, employed by the Western Electric Co., stopped at the office Monday, and took tracts amounting to \$5.68 to distribute among his fellow-workers. Another home missionary.

The meetings in Willard Hall are becoming more interesting and the attendance larger. There was a special meeting Saturday night for the candidates for baptism.

#### **Business Notices**

WANTED.—Domestic help. Tri-City Sanitarium, Moline, Illinois.

WANTED.—Two brothers desire farm work for the summer, not necessarily at the same place. Address S. B. Mallory, Holly, Mich.

WANTED—Competent girl or woman for general housework. Would prefer middle-aged woman. Good wages and permanent position to the right one. Address Mrs. T. H. Midgley, Hillsdale Sanitarium, Hillsdale, Mich.

WANTED AT ONCE.—A Seventh-day Adventist young man to work on farm. Must be strong, and willing to milk. Have church privileges. Will pay very good wages for good man. Address T. H. DeLong, Hudson, Mich.

WANTED.—An industrious boy between thirteen and sixteen years of age to work on the farm. Must be able to help milk and drive team. Pleasant location. Church privileges. State full particulars in first letter. G. L. Specht, R. F. D. 4, Madison, Wis.

WANTED AT ONCE.—Young or middle-aged woman capable of doing plain cooking and kitchen work in a small private sanitarium. State age, experience, and wages expected. Address La Grange Sanitarium and Hospital. La Grange, Ill.

COOKING OIL ADVANCED.—Two five-gallon cans Mazola cooking oil \$15.00 f. o. b. Chicago or Detroit. Single cans \$7.75, from Holly. Wesson Oil \$1 per can higher, f. o. b. Holly. Snowdrift Shortening \$11.50 per 60-pound case, from Holly. Adelphian Mercantile Co., Holly, Mich. 5

GRADUATE NURSE.—There is open an excellent long time position for a competent graduate nurse, a good opportunity to keep up to date in profession, surgical, obstetrical, and general hospital-sanitarium work. Pleasant home like institution, \$40 per month, room, board, and washing to start. Address La Grange Sanitarium, La Grange, Ill., stating age, health, experience, from where graduated.

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# Encouraging Visits

Accompanied by Elder P. C. Hanson, of Bloomington, I spent five days with the East Alton church and believers in that vicinity. We held a meeting each evening and visited the members during the day. The church membership is only thirteen and the Sabbath school about twenty. A few more attended our meetings, however, as there are several persons intensely interested and studying the truths of the message each week in their homes through reading and Bible studies held by the church elder and one or two other members.

Different phases of church order and work were taken up and all the instruction was heartily received by the members. On the Sabbath a good response was secured to a call to consecration and preparation to meet God. The home missionary work was presented at one meeting and a live interest was shown in this work. Some subscriptions were taken for the *Review*, the LAKE UNION HERALD, and the *Church Officers' Gazette.* Several packages of tracts and copies of "The World War," "Soul Winning," and Vol. 9 of the Testimonies were ordered. Instruction was given in reporting and methods of work. We are sure the work at East Alton will advance as a result of the work of the members and the meetings held.

While at East Alton time was taken to visit Elder L. O. Drews at Belleville. We found him well located and just beginning a series of meetings in a hall. He is laboring for the German speaking people. Just two meetings had been held but the attendance was encouraging. With proper advertising, frequent visiting, and much prayer in connection with his meetings we believe Brother Drews will secure definite results.

A short visit was also made to Sister S. E. Aubrey in North Venice. She has a large store room which she will give us the use of for public meetings. She has several of her neighbors studying the truth and we hope to fill this opening while the interest is alive.

Let us pray for an ingathering of souls from the work being done by our conference workers and church members. E, F, PETERSON

The talent of success is doing what you can well, and doing well whatever you do.—Long(ellow

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